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A Light and Cheerful Arithmetical Breakfast.

HIS USUAL WEEKLY CHAFF

The Combination of Music, Mathematics and Hygiene Explained by a Gentle Stranger,

EN ROUTE, EN PASSANT, ET GETTING !

We breakfasted this morning at Cul-peper, Va., where fried chicken is to be had without limit. Fried chicken seems to be the motif, as we say in music, and all the other frills and little dashes of



trille, runs, arpeggies, and what Seidl so truly characterizes as funny s, are mere accessories of the ed chicken. It is good chicken, too, ough sometimes cold, because it has to be prepared and on the table at the time hen the train is due, even if the train should not be on time. This is hazardone business, and a very slight hot box may mean acute cold chicken sometimes.

I have been told by my physician that I should be cheerful and enter into a lively conversation at mealtime to keep the mind bright and sunny if I want to be well and live longer than other peopis. Therefore you will notice that I often converse at table, and may be seen sunning my mind on pleasant days on the laws, allowing it to run about suiffing the bright, crisp air while I keep a gilant eye on the cat.

For this reason I opened a little bit of heary talk with a tall, thoughtful man my left at table. He was a grave man, with long, copper colored whiskers, that when the robins nest again they rill have to go elsewhere. He had the air of a student of the old school. When I say that I mean one of the pallid students of the day when men studied so hard that their sons often filled a chappiers grave. The typical student of today is a young man with out of door tendencies and freckles on the back of his neck. He may not be able to trans-late the Songs of Solomon from the original, with words and music, at sight, but we hope that he is the forerunner of a better race.

"I see that another great man has come out with the statement that he can no longer vote with his old party," I said, spearing another roll and cutting the hot and steaming thing open with my knife in order to show that I felt no restraint, no matter where I might be

"Ah!" he said, "28, 20, 30—to whom do you refer—31, 33—may I ask?"
"To a large malt dealer in Phila-delphia, who says that the McKinley bill is ruining the malt business—88, 34, 35, 36," I added, in order to show that I belonged to the same lodge, but really not knowing what he was driving at.

"Exactly; but-11, 12, 18, 14, 15-why does the McKinley bill have that effect on the-16, 17, 18, 19-mait business? he asked as he swallowed his oatmeal and declined a glass of buttermilk on account of his mustache.

By making the tariff on Canadian "By making the tariff on Canadian mait so high that it is prohibitory, thus compelling the dealer to depend upon the American barley, which is falling off, the American farmer refusing to raise it because under a Republican administration he finds that the sharp heards of the barley while being thrashed work down his back—30, 21, 22, 28," I

Ah. per-24, 26, 26, 27, 28-might I sek what your views are on the tariff—

"Certainly—33, 34, 35—if you will tell me what chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi you belong to, so that I may see if I am working in your degree or not-36, 87,

Yes, yes; you refer, no doubt—0, 10, 11, 12—to my habit of enumeration and

"Yes, sir-13, 14, 15-if you please."
"Very well; then it is agreed-16, 17,

"My notions, briefly, regarding the tariff are that the man who says he can tell you the ultimate effect upon the varied industries of this country, considering both employer and employee, and their future, not for two or four years, but for a generation, prevaricates.
If either party can make votes by reciting isolated instances of great prosperity among manufacturers who have married wealthy wives and put the money into the business, or, on the other hand, the cases of manufacturers who have been compelled to shut up catenably on account of the McKinley law, but really because they did not advertise, let them do so. I rode up from Atlanta with a men who wanted the duty of three doilars retained on pearmis, but aside from that wanted absolute free trade as seen as possible. We are as broad and liberal our tariff views as we are in our reheion. We forget that some constitutions require the heroic treatment, while others yield to gentler methods and the all powerful and all humanising buffueness of love. We should not be too arbitrary one way or the other. A man eding in the canton of Constable's Hook last the sale of a barrel of low necked clams because of the quarantine which was instituted for the protection of sixty-des millions of lives, and be marin quite a little war over it, creating

a general panic in the country and great inconvenience to Mr. A. M. Palmer.

our little two dollar horizon than we shall be admitted to the Authors club who writes with his tengue out. We cannot all think slike, and that is the reason why we now and then run across an original thought expressed in an original way.

"If more people fancy that the present tariff arrangement is more beneficial to them than the other, more people will vote that way. If more people vote that way, and experiments should be made successfully with a purified ballot, the side so voting in the greatest numbers will elect their candidate. Then the horizon will clear up again, another prize fight will be brought to our notice, and the march of improvement will be once more resumed.

"And now if you will explain that method of enumeration to me, we may

go on board our train." "Yes, indeed," said the studious man as he carefully folded his napkin, thereby revealing the fact that he lived simply when at home, and that his wife attended to her own work. "You see, I have to be very careful about my health; otherwise I shall be taken from you before the great work of finishing my collection is done. I am making a very large and fine collection of jew de sprits, so I must be very careful of my general health, for no one else could ever finish the collection. Many of them are my own. I put them in to give color to such men as Lamb. I am the mint sauce on Lamb, as you might say. I am the author of the maxim that the cucumber fights better when it is down.

"I read some time ago that Mr. Glad-tone owed his long life to the fact that he used great care and method in mastieating his food, counting the number of pites carefully, giving thirty-two, for instance, to steak, and from that down to two for ice cream. I have had to raise the rate on steak a good deal on this trip and lower it on tea. At home we have a very careful method of masticating, as has Mr. Gladstone at Hawarden, and a child who swallows his pie even without giving it the regular number of bites has to pay a penalty of twenty-five chews on our beautiful climate. It is very cheery to sit at our table and watch and listen to the conversation mingled with the enumeration.

"Sometimes we have a concert at table, and the counting is done to music. I lead on the violin. I have written an accompaniment for fried tripe which would please you, I know; also a little nocturns for shad, with half and threequarter rests for taking out the bones. It is beautiful. The grapeskin polka is also very fetching, and a soup somnambula in b flat is popular. My children are thus learning music, mathematics and

hygiene."
With that he unbuttomed his coat so as to let his whiskers out for a few moments to surprise and delight the Virginia breeze. I decided that if Mr. Gladstone really has a sliding scale of enumeration like a child who is blinding in the game of "hide and go seek" he will wait many a long, weary day before he is invited to come and stay over Sun-

day at our house.

An Englishman got on at Greensboro. Evidently a Pullman sleeping car was a new thing to him. It probably just happened so accidentally, but one could see that he was not familiar with it. The berths were not yet made up, and it was clear that he could not figure out how one might sleep there three dollars' worth. He begged my pardon, but was this the sleep so regarded.

Then he did not say anything for quite awhile. Finally he begged pardon again and inquired if that car went through to New York. I said that from the talk I had with the railroad authorities I suspected that it would do so.

Just then the porter opened the berth of No. 9 in such a way as to squat the life out of a lady's new butterfly bonnet, and my friend saw at once that the car could be what is called metamorphosed in a moment. When his berth had been made up I saw him take his satchel and go to the dressing room, but I thought nothing of it till later on I was aroused from my brown study, which I was then at, by the entrance of a figure and the pattering of bare feet along the sisle of the car. At first I thought the car was haunted, for I hardly recognized the Englishman, as he had removed his eye-



WHILE TAKING HIS TUR.

glass and thus in a measure disguised himself. He also wore a nightcap, and that disguised him, for the American nightcap comes generally from Kentucky and is worn on the inside.

He had an upper berth, and so the porter got him the stepladder. As he held the stepladder in place for the man think I never saw a porter color up so.

The Englishman slowly ascended the ladder, looking like a delayed scraph returning from a seraphic rally somewhere with large Etruscan feet. As he carefully crawled into his bunk an observing palmist could read on the soles of his feet that his life line was crossed and intersected by the head line and the Piedmont Air Line.

When he entirely disappeared in his little beddie there was a low murmur of applicate, which grew into a perfect ovation, but he seemed to have nothing ready to offer in the way of an encore, and so did not reappear until the next

He was a nice, kindly man, and well informed, too, withal. He is going to lecture in this country this season, and while he was taking his tub in the morn-ing on told all of as what he thought of America. He was constantly interrupted by applianse and by people who got on at Washington and who came into that end "We have no more right to measure of the car, forgetting to close the door, the great economy of the universe by thus cailing forth on the surface of the

speaker a large crop of robust and highly FOR



Making It Bight.

There seems to be such a thing as being too kind. M. Calino, having taken a room on the fourth floor of a hotel, sent for a porter and had his trunks and bags carried up. The man then asked him for pay for the service. Calino is a very good hearted person. He felt in his pockets and exclatmed:

'How unfortunate! I haven't a sou "That's too bad, sir," said the man, "for I shan't be here tomorrow, and so

I shall lose my pay." "Never!" said Calino, feelingly. "I never allow a service to go unremitted. You may carry the things back down

And he insisted upon the unfortunate man's squaring the account by taking the trunks and boxes back to the place where he had got them .- Youth's Com-



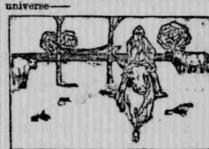
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"Astonishing! He seems to ride ro shod over the existing theories of the



"But yet, after all, he makes his own theory too much of a hobbyhorse."-From the German.

All Three Are Satisfied. A funny story is told of two French

noblemen and a favorite actress. The Frenchmen were suitors of the lady, and both seemed to be equally esteemed by her. It appears that in France, as well as in many other countries, a lock of hair is considered a signal pledge of tender passion. Mlle, Bertha glories in the possession of auburn ringlets, and would not part with one of them for less than a duchy. Her admirers, however, happened to have hair of the same golden hue as that of their common love.

Each begged a tress of her hair in ex-change for a lock of his own, to which the charming creature readily assented, and without touching a single hair of her head cunningly managed to effect an exchange of parcels, by which each gentleman received a curl of his rival's capillaries. The count now wears the baron's hair next his heart, and the baron sleeps with the count's lock under his pillow .- Million.

Gastronomic Philosophy. They met at a second class restaurant "I didn't see your name in the list of

persons who attended the swell banquet last night, Mr. Scadds," said the man who had ordered a full meal. "I never attend banquets," said the frugal millionaire. "They make a man discontented with his regular daily

And he ordered two doughnuts and a cup of coffee. - Chicago Tribune.

Of Course It Is. Mrs. Snooper-I wonder if it is true,

as Dr. Jacobi says, that the baby of today has a better chance of life than the baby of fifty years ago? Snooper-Certainly it is. The baby of fifty years ago is half a century old

Oh, winter overcoat, thou relie of het year, Hide not within the closet corner lorn. Come, let me see thy shape, for verily I fear That then hast since grown fringy, limp and

now .- Detroit Free Press.

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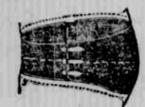
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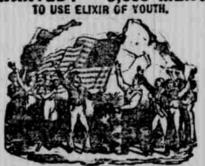


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